

San Marino, Huntington Library, HM 01047

Description: ff. 224 - Bound in 1652/53 according to a note added on f. 223v: "ἔσταχώθη παρὰ μητροφάνου ἔτους ζρξά ____another word, uncertain____" ("Bound by Metrophanes in the year 7161," i.e. A. D. 1652/53). Greek style binding in black stamped leather over wooden boards flush with the edges of the leaves (edges of boards without troughs); spine projects at the top and bottom. Stamps include a monogram apparently composed of the letters alpha, beta and omicron within a circle surmounted by a cross; an 8-pointed star formed of 2 overlaid squares containing a flower bud(?) within a circle, and a third stamp, free floating, undeciphered. Evidence of 2 fore edge clasps closing from back to pins on front board edge; title "θεοτοκάριον" along upper edges of leaves, to be read with the book lying on its front cover. - Written probably in the second half of the thirteenth century. Among the villages in the list (see below) is Δέσινα, possibly to be identified with Dečani, in modern-day Yugoslavia: in the fifteenth century the book may have been in that area. Modern tipped-in slip from a Byzantine liturgical text between ff. i-ii. Was n. 37 (this number in pencil on f. i) in a modern German catalogue. Alien sequestered property sale by Anderson, New York, 17 February 1919 n. 46 to G. D. Smith. Date and source of acquisition by Henry E. Huntington unknown. - C. W. Dutschke with the assistance of R. H. Rouse et al., *Guide to Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts in the Huntington Library* (San Marino, 1989). De Ricci, 84.

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Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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Language: Greek *Country:* Undetermined *Century:* 13th

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Part 1: ff. 1-224v

Description: - Paper and Parchment - 118 x 160 mm - 1-2⁸ 28⁴(ff. 217-220) 29⁴(-4; ff. 221-223; f. 224 was pastedown). Quires signed in innermost corner of first leaf recto and last leaf verso in Greek numerals. 25 long lines ruled in dry point with double bounding lines for initials; pricking often visible in the 3 outer margins. Quire 28, on paper, ff. 217-220v, in 23-21 lines, frame ruled in dry point with double bounding lines; written in the sixteenth or seventeenth century. F. 221r-v and its now excised conjunct leaf, part of a bifolium placed perpendicularly to the present text, the width of the leaf being 105 mm., and the text 70 mm.; in 2 columns in list form; written in the fifteenth century. FF. 222-223, long lines, unruled, in the same hand as above; f. 223v, 2 columns of list in the same hand as above. F. 224r-v, part of a bifolium placed perpendicularly, the width of the leaf being 100 mm., and the text 80 mm.; in a cursive hand.

Country: Undetermined

Region:

Assigned Date: s. XIII²

Dated by scribe: No

Document: No

Script: Semi-cursive minuscule

Cardinal point:

City:

Searchable Date Range: 1250 - 1299

Inscribed Date:

Number of Scribes: ;

Other Decoration: 5-line headpiece in brownish-red ink with void floral design on f. 1; other smaller headpieces in interlocking or braided patterns (e.g. ff. 23, 48v, 70v); rules terminating in ivy leaves separate texts (e.g. ff. 4v, 17, 78). Rubrics and 1-line initials (placed outside the written space) in the same reddish color.

Notes: The paper leaves are ff. 217-224. Final leaves approximately from f. 165 on, damaged by fire in the upper right corner, and somewhat shriveled from damp. Greek

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: ff. 1-220v

Title: Theotokarion

Language(s): Greek

Notes: Apparently incomplete, with ff. 217-220v a sixteenth or seventeenth century addition; ff. 221-223v, added in the 15th century, lists, each headed by the name of a village: ποταμία, σλατήνα, βανήα, λιόπρασο, κούρσοβο, λάρισσο, δέσινα; f. 224r-v, scrap used as pastedown, now lifted.